St. Andrew's Church, Madras

Presidency Senior Chaplain.—Rev. John Heron, M.A., B.D. (on leave).
Offg. Presidency Senior Chaplain and Chaplain of St. Andrew's Church.—Rev. D. H. Gillan, M.A., B.D., Hotel Spencer.
Kirk Session.—The Chaplain, J. R. Atkinson, Esq., W. A. Beardsell, Esq., Dr. J. R. Henderson, W. Hutton, Esq., W. Lamb, Esq., A. C. Puddephatt, Esq., R. W. Ross, Esq., Capt. A. J. H. Russell, Col. R. Robertson, J. F. Simpson, Esq., W. A. Turner, Esq., and C. A. Innes, Esq., I.C.S.
Church Officer—Mr. H. Boys, Kirk Villa, Egmore.
Organist and Choirmaster—A. W. Jones, Esq., 1/144 Mount Road.
Free School Headmistress—Mrs. Pritchard, St. Andrew's Free School.
Dorcas Society Secretary—Mrs. J. R. Atkinson, Goodwood, Kilpauk.
Woman's Guild Secretary—Mrs. Gillan, Hotel Spencer (Acting.)
Woman's Guild Treasurer—Vacant.
Sunday School Superintendent—H. P. Ashworth, Esq., Kalajagah, Chetput.
School Visitation Secretary—Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell, Luttrell's Gardens, Kilpauk.
Honorary Auditor—H. P. Ashworth, Esq., Chetput.

Church Notices

SITTINGS AND MAGAZINES—Application for vacant sittings should be made to the Clerk, with whom should also be lodged orders for the Monthly Parish Magazine (Rs. 2 per annum). To seat holders *Life and Work*, with local Supplement, is supplied free. Copies of the Hymnary, Psalter, and Anthem Book, with or without music, may also be purchased from the Church Clerk.

HOURS OF SERVICE—Divine Service is held on Sundays, at 8 A.M. and 6 P.M.

CHOIR PRACTICE on Thursdays, at 6-15 P.M.

HOLY COMMUNION—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is dispensed after evening service on the first Sunday of every quarter, and after morning service on the sixth Sunday of the quarter.

BAPTISM—The Sacrament of Baptism is administered in the Church on Thursday evenings, or on Sundays after the morning service.

FUNERALS—Funerals should be arranged through an Undertaker.

ST. ANDREW'S CEMETERY—St. Andrew's Cemetery is, by Government order, reserved for the burial of *bona fide* members of St. Andrew's Church and Presbyterian soldiers; and the sanction of the Chaplain has to be obtained.

FREE SCHOOL—There is an Industrial Class in connection with the Free School. Orders for towels, dusters, etc., may be sent to Mrs. Atkinson, "Goodwood," Kilpauk, or to the Church Clerk. The money thus earned helps to defray the salary of an extra teacher.

WOMEN'S GUILD—The Women's Guild meets on the first and third Thursdays of every month, at 4-30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL, at 5 P.M. from January to April, and August to December.

MOTHERS' MEETING in Schoolroom, at 5 P.M., on Mondays.

Church Notes

Christmas and New Year Programme.—The usual card is in preparation and will shortly be published. Meantime the following coming events should be noted :—

1917.

Nov. 30th, Scottish Concert, Museum Theatre, 6-15 P.M.

Dec. 1st, Woman's Guild Sale of Work for Hospital Ship "Madras."

,, 2nd, Scottish National Service, 6 P.M.

Scottish National Service.—It has been arranged to hold the Scottish National Service on Sunday, 2nd December. His many friends

will be glad to learn that the Rev. E. M. Macphail, Madras Christian College, has recovered sufficiently from his *Mongolia* experiences to be the preacher. The collection as last year will be for the Scottish Women's Hospitals.

Free School.—Teachers and children are working hard for their coming demonstration which takes place on Friday, 14th December. The School closes for the Christmas holidays on that date and will re-open on Monday, 14th January, 1918. The Annual Inspection is anticipated towards the end of March.

Calendar for 1918.—An attractive Calendar has been specially designed by Mr. Boys and has been approved of by H. E. Lady Pentland, President of the Woman's Guild. The price is Re. 1 per copy and the profits will go to the Woman's Guild Sale for the Hospital Ship "Madras." Space does not admit of a full description, but the design includes a Horse Shoe in silver to emphasize the Good Luck greetings for the New Year, a St. Andrew's Cross in gold-edged white, and a photogravure of the church in the centre. It is hoped the calendar will have a ready sale.

Choir.—Already preparations are in progress for the special work expected of the choir at Christmas, and any who have thoughts of joining should communicate with Mr. Jones as soon as possible.

Christmas List.—The usual Christmas List will shortly be in circulation, and it is hoped will meet with its usual success. It is interesting to record that a handsome contribution of (Rs. 100) Rupees One Hundred has already been received for it from Home.

Sale of Work and Garden Fete in aid of the Hospital Ship "Madras"

Since our last Supplement was issued, preparations for the Sale of Work have progressed and we are all doing our best to make the sale a success. As the big effort for "Our Day" is to be made all over India on the 12th, our Sale may suffer somewhat, but we earnestly ask all the members of the congregation to come to the Sale if they can, and purchase at least a few articles in order to swell the "takings" of the Sale. It will be a good opportunity to buy Christmas presents, and as nothing will be abnormally priced, we can guarantee that purchasers will get fair value for their money. A large quantity of tea and coffee has been donated by Planters in the different districts Mr. and Mrs. Gillan visited, all of it said to be the very best quality, and if friends will buy this several hundred rupees should be made from that alone. Jams and pickles also of good quality made by various ladies in the congregation and other friends should bring in a substantial income to the Sale. Knick-knacks and curios, beautiful hand-made under clothing, cigars and cigarettes and gentlemen's requisites, photographs of the Church and Christmas cards, prepared by Mr. Boys, flowers, plants, etc., will all have a prominent place. Sweets and cakes are being made in large quantities, and people need not trouble having tea before they leave home as that will be provided at the Sale at a moderate price, and will be served by ladies from Japan! Toys are very expensive this year, but we have been sent a few by friends; and though dolls are an appalling price we are able to put some, beautifully dressed by well-known ladies in the congregation, on one of the Stalls. It may interest the children to know that for them there is to be a Children's Parcel Post Office, and we hope they will come and find an interesting parcel at a rate that will suit their little pockets! We must not forget to mention that for friends desirous of spending only one rupee they will find ample selection from the "One-Rupee Stall" where there are we believe over 300 one rupee articles to choose from.

The side-shows are not definitely fixed up, but among the friends who are kindly going to run them are Mr. Ashworth, Mr. Theobald and Mr. Boys. These will include Shooting Gallery, Cocoanut Shies, Rosey-nosey-posey, etc.

The Sale will be opened by Her Excellency, Lady Pentland, at 4 o'clock. His Excellency the Governor hopes to accompany her and we hope that all the congregation will turn out to welcome them and give them a hearty reception.

Tour of Presidency Senior Chaplain

Tours are in many cases the only way of getting into personal touch with our countrymen in outlying districts, but they are not always easy to arrange, and the shortage on our staff has made them specially difficult in recent years. It was therefore a great pleasure when it was found possible (leaving the congregational work of St. Andrew's in the very capable hands of Mr. Meston for a period including the Michaelmas Recess) to carry out with Mr. Heron's approval and the sanction of the Government of Madras a tour in Travancore which had been projected for some time.

My wife and I left Madras on the evening of 13th September, and arrived next day without incident at Ernakulam, the railway terminus for Cochin. Through the kindness of Mr. Braidwood, the British Resident, Bolghatty Residency was placed at our disposal during our stay in the neighbourhood. Cochin has many interests. Industrially as well as from the point of view of natural scenery the cocoanut palm is everywhere in evidence: commercially the opening of the bar is contemplated and if completed is expected to make Cochin a place of great importance: racially the communities of so-called "White" and "Black" Jews are best known, though there are other racial questions of interest: medically, the most obvious need is the discovery of a preventive for elephantiasis, sufferers from this distressing affliction being reported to number two out of five of the adult population: architecturally many buildings recall Portuguese and Dutch occupation. Ecclesiastically the Church of St. Francis is interesting as having been used by both these nations, and tomb-stones of both are now upon the walls as mural tablets. Through the kindness of the Rev. B. I. Morgan, C.M.S. Chaplain, I preached at the Evening Service on 16th September, and both on that and the following day we had the pleasure of meeting Scottish and other residents in British Cochin. A visit was also paid to the Rajah of Cochin and his Consort at the palace, seven miles from Ernakulam.

On 18th September we proceeded by steamer along the celebrated Backwaters to Aleppey and Kottayam, staying the night in the latter place at Bishop's House as the guests of Bishop and Mrs. Gill. We had known them, a good many years ago, in Allahabad, and it was pleasant to renew our acquaintance with them. Bishop Gill had kindly written in advance regarding the use for our services of the Church of England churches in Mundakayam, Peermade, and Vandiperiyar.

We were motored next day, 19th September, from Kottayam to Mundakayam Travellers' Bungalow, thirty-three miles, by Mr. Eric Hall, Churuvally, and were thence conveyed to the bungalow of Mr. W. Hendry, Mundakayam, with whom we stayed till the 24th. During our stay with him we visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Vincent, Boyce Estate, and met various neighbouring planters at Mr. Hendry's bungalow. Service was held in Mundakayam Church on the 23rd. I was asked to give an address at the Indian service, held immediately after the English one, and did so, speaking through an interpreter. On the 24th and 25th we stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Harley, Kadamankolam; on the 26th with Mr. and Mrs. Hamond, Kuppukayam; and on the 27th with Mr. and Mrs. Kirk, Peravanthanam. Their estates are all within the Mundakayam District, and on the 28th we were motored by Dr. McCormick to his bungalow at Peermade. The weather was against much going about—fourteen inches of rain fell in three days—but we were the guests successively of Mr. and Mrs. Westaway, Stagbrook; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen,

Ashley; and Mr. Wilkie, Glenmary; and on Sunday, the 30th, there was a fair congregation in Peermade Church in spite of the weather. On 4th October we journeyed to the bungalow of Mr. and Mrs. Lacey, Mungamallai, Vandiperiyar, to the east of Peermade; on the 6th a few miles farther to Mr. and Mrs. Kimmond, The Mount; and on the 9th to Mr. and Mrs. McArthur, Tunga Mallai. Service was held on the 7th in Vandiperiyar Church, close to the Mount bungalow.

This completed the earlier portion of the tour and on 11th October we started for the High Range. Our journey, of about fifty-eight miles in all, took us by motor out of Travancore, into the low country of Madura, and along to Bodinayakanur, where we spent the night at the Planters' Bungalow. Next morning, we had a further ten miles to Bottom Station by motor, rode seven miles up the ghat to Top Station (where we were met by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Swayne, Ellapatti, and hospitably entertained at Headquarters Bungalow), journeyed in the Kanan Devan Tramway twenty-four miles to Munaar and then three miles in side-cars to Kanniamallai Estate, where we were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wright for five nights. Afterwards we had three nights with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lee at Madupatty, two with Mr. and Mrs. Blair Hill at Munaar, six with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pinches at the General Manager's Bungalow at Madupatty, and one with Mr. and Mrs. Abbott at Talliyar. Services were held in Munaar Church on each of the three Sundays, 14th, 21st and 28th October. On the 14th and 28th the S. P. M. R. had Church Parade, and the numbers, over fifty in each case, were much the largest during the tour. On the 21st the congregation, though smaller, was still considerable, and on the afternoon of that day I repeated the Mundakayam experience of addressing the Indian congregation through an interpreter.

When the tour was under consideration the suggestion was made that a halt for a day or two, going or coming, should be made at Coimbatore, and arrangements were made to stay there on the return journey. Talliyar is fourteen miles from Munaar on the Northern Outlet road, and on 29th October we were motored *via* Pollachi, seventy-nine miles. We stayed for two nights with Mr. and Mrs. McRae, Government Agricultural College, and were also entertained on the evening of our departure by Mr. W. J. Campbell of Messrs. Peirce, Leslie & Co. Service was held in the Church Hall, Coimbatore, and there were two baptisms. We left Coimbatore on 31st October and arrived in Madras the following night.

The tour throughout was of the greatest interest. We had seen a good deal of tea before, in Assam and to a less extent near Darjeeling, but the differences in climate, growth, and surroundings, with the corresponding differences in cultivation, made much even of the tea-planting new to us. Rubber-planting we saw for the first time in Mundakayam. Coffee was also new, and the plantations of cinchona, sisal, and cardamoms, all had interest of their own. The special interest however was of course to be found in the residents, and the thoughtful kindness of one and all is never to be forgotten: one only wishes that as a church we could do more for our scattered brethren. Suggestions as to the possibility of doing this will be most gratefully received.

Collections in aid of the Hospital Ship "Madras," to be added to the proceeds of the Woman's Guild Sale on 1st December, were taken at most of the services, and including additional sums sent afterwards were as follows:—

			RS.	A.	P.
23rd September,		Mundakayam...	67	9	8
30th	"	Peermade ...	112	0	0
7th October		Vandiperiyar ...	70	10	0
14th	"	Munaar ...	122	7	6
30th	"	Coimbatore ...	100	0	0
		Total ...	472	11	2

D. H. G.

We shall miss some familiar faces at our Sale. Among them Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell who through her recent sore bereavement is not able to take part in the Sale, and run the Produce Stall as at first announced. Also Captain and Mrs. Russell, now on the sea *en route* for Home owing to the gravity of Captain Russell's health. Our thoughts and prayers follow them for a safe voyage and a speedy return to health. It will interest friends to know that Mrs. Meldrum and Mrs. Turner have both written wishing the Sale every success and have each sent most kind gifts of money to help the project.

It is not too late for contributions of all kinds to be sent in, and if friends would still like to send in articles for Sale, or money to go straight into the Fund, the Secretary or any of the Stall-holders will be glad to receive them. Fresh fruit and vegetables if sent in the morning of the Sale will be specially acceptable.

And all through this endeavour let us remember that it is the sick and wounded soldier we are striving to help. The Hospital Ship "Madras" has been the means of bringing help and comfort to hundreds of officers and men, *in time*, when otherwise they might have died, and so been lost to the country. The Hospital Ship "Madras," has in many cases received absolute wrecks of humanity, has saved them and made them fit to return and fight again the battles of the Empire. We shall try to help them by our *efforts* as well as our prayers.

LIST OF STALLS

Jams and Pickles ...	Miss Graham, Miss Hall and Assistants.
Tea and Coffee in bulk ...	Mrs. Innes, Mrs. Black and Assistants.
Plain and Fancy ...	Mrs. G. K. Walker, Mrs. Pelly and Assistants.
Cigars and Cigarettes ...	Mrs. Higginbotham and Assistants.
Sweets ...	Mrs. C. O. 'Brien, Mrs. Wilton and Assistants.
One-Rupee Stall ...	Mrs. Adam and Assistants.
Choir Stall ...	Mrs. Boys and Members of the Choir.
Children's Horticultural Stall.	Mrs. Conran and the Little Folks.
Curios, Knick-knacks, and books.	Miss Forbes, Miss Falconer and Assistants.
Miscellaneous ...	Mrs. Organe, Mrs. Gillan and Assistants.
Tea Room ...	Mrs. Atkinson and Assistants.

The Concert

There has been a good deal of heart searching about this! An open-air smoking concert in the compound would have been a project which appealed to many of us. But there are several reasons against. On the day itself there is not really a suitable place, and the "Clerk of the weather" will make no promises! The night before in the Schoolroom might have done also, but the school is required for the Sale preparations on the following day. Therefore as none of these ideas seemed feasible it has been decided to have the Concert the evening before in the Museum Theatre, at 6-15. The Concert has the patronage of Their Excellencies. As the date happens to fall on the 30th November, St. Andrew's Day, a Scottish Programme is being arranged, and it is hoped that friends will support it as well as ever they can, and try and sell as many tickets as possible. The price for the tickets will be Rs 2-0-0 and Re. 1-0-0. Mr. Boys, the Church Clerk, and others will be glad to supply them. The items are interesting. Our kind friends Mrs. Adam, Mrs. Flohr and Miss Iles, Miss Johnston, Mr. Strathie, Mr. Alan Steuart, Mr Worthington-Wilson, and some of the Girl Guides are among the performers, and a very special feature of the Concert will be the dancing of Sergt. Gould, who has kindly promised to dance the Highland Fling and the Sword Dance. One or two other items have not definitely been arranged yet.

CHURCH REGISTERS

Baptisms

"Suffer little children to come unto Me."

October 30th, 1917—Alexander John, son of Duncan Royston and Margaret Ewan Stewart Matheson, I.C.S.

„ 31st, „ Isabel Margaret, daughter of William and Isabel McRobb McRae, Government Mycologist.

CHURCH ACCOUNTS

I.—Monthly Statement of Kirk Session Fund Account for October, 1917

Receipts	Amount			Disbursements	Amount		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant	109	0	0	To Church Choir for Sept. 1917...	157	0	0
„ Seat Rents	79	0	0	„ „ Estabt. „ „ ...	185	8	0
„ Church Collections	232	0	2	„ Organ Blowers	6	0	0
„ Refunds	10	0	0	„ Peons' Umbrellas	4	8	0
„ Organ Practice	15	0	0	„ Mr. Unger (clock winding) ...	35	0	0
„ Sale of Grass for September ...	10	0	0	„ Compound Annual Potting (balance)	20	14	0
„ Refund from Government (office safe)	12	0	0	„ Communion Elements ...	3	2	0
„ Refund from Government (clock winding)	35	0	0	„ M. E. S. Co., Current for Sept..	10	0	0
				„ M. P. House Printing Bill No. 322, 358	12	0	0
				„ Miscellaneous	5	2	6
				Balance Credit this Account ...	62	13	8
Total ...	502	0	2	Total ...	502	0	2

II.—Monthly Statement of St. Andrew's Free School Account for October, 1917

Receipts	Amount			Disbursements	Amount		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Subscriptions	5	0	0	To Teachers and Establishment ...	195	0	0
„ Refund	10	0	0	„ Uncharged in March for Establishment	5	0	0
„ Cash	245	14	0	„ Food	57	11	0
				„ Miscellaneous Account ...	3	3	0
Total ...	260	14	0	Total ...	260	14	0

H. BOYS,
Church Clerk.

D. H. GILLAN,
Senior Chaplain.

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